

# The Lacombe Guardian

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## Items of Interest Locally

F. Vickerson was in Edmonton the first of the week.

For choice groceries, flour and feed go to Stanley & Switzer.

Mrs. Nelson, of Bentley, is visiting friends in town this week.

Dr. Hynes returned on Thursday from his trip through the States.

Mrs. J. L. Poole is down from Wetaskiwin to visit friends here.

Mrs. Geo. Vickers, went to Calgary on Saturday last to visit relatives.

For the best grade of flour, at lowest prices go to Stanley & Switzer.

For the choicest candies, made in Lacombe, go to the Lacombe Candy Kitchen.

Mrs. J. B. Taylor, of Edmonton, was the guest of Mrs. J. W. Fortness the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Tristworth entertained friends on Friday evening last, at "Five Hundred."

Miss Effie Storey returned on Saturday last from Calgary, where she has been visiting friends.

Wm. Wieser, now of Carstairs district, was shaking hands with old friends here Wednesday.

Arriving every day in Lacombe for the City Pharmacy, new goods. Its a new store, new stock, and up to date.

J. B. Donneworth and family, of Spring Valley, moved to Edmonton this week, where they expect to make their home in future.

J. N. McLeod has been appointed Rural Development Inspector Alberta Government. Telephone, with headquarters at Lacombe.

A surprise to all this week. What! The smallest line of Cushions and Pillows, at the City Pharmacy. See window this week.

Mrs. Lloyd Wellington Puffer (nee Miss Grace Bowen) will receive Thursday afternoon, January 22, and afterwards on the third Tuesday.

The first meeting of the "Reading Circle" for this season, will be held at the home of Mrs. E. M. Sharpe, on Tuesday evening, January 20th, commencing at eight o'clock.

Professor Jackson, of Alberta College, Edmonton, will give a lecture on "Ottello" next Monday evening, the 19th, at the Methodist church, under the auspices of the Epworth League. Everyone made welcome. A silver collection will be taken to defray expenses.

The Guardian would greatly appreciate it if friends of the paper would let us know of any items of interest for our local columns. If you are going away on a visit, or have friends visiting you, let us know about it. These personal items help to make a newly local paper.

Tom Marks and company are booked for three nights and Saturday Matinee next week at the Comet Theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Peters attended the annual banquet and theatre party given by the Calgary branch of the Scott Fruit Co., last Friday night.

The firm of Stanley & Switzer, which has been doing an extensive business in flour and feed and produce, is enlarging its business. A full line of groceries is being added and the store is being remodeled in its interior arrangement to permit of the most speedy and economical handling of the increased business. S. Nicholson is taking charge of the business as manager, and E. S. Stanley is opening up a new store at Siding Six on the C. N. R. in Jones Valley.

A ladies' hockey club has been formed here, and challenges have already been received from the ladies' clubs of Wetaskiwin and Red Deer. On Saturday last a meeting was held, at which the following officers were elected: Hon. President, Mrs. F. E. McLeod; President, Mrs. D. Hay; First Vice President, Miss Isabel Simpson; Second Vice President, Miss Dora Talbot; Secretary, Treasurer, Miss L. Northwood; Captain, Miss May Talbot; Manager, Miss Morna Cameron; Executive Committee, Miss R. McCully, Miss B. Rose, Miss M. Rime. The club will hold practices every Monday and Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Coyotes have increased in the Jackfish Lake district to such an extent that they have become a nuisance. This has led the farmers of the district to consider the matter of holding a roundup in the expectation of thinning the animals out somewhat. It is proposed to select captains for the hunt and allow all who wish to take part under their direction. The plan is to round up the coyotes on Jackfish Lake where both hunters and dogs can get a chance at them. All desirous of taking part in the sport should write or call up J. J. Kasba. If a sufficient number take an interest in the proposed hunt, arrangements will be completed at once.

The Varsity hockey team, from Edmonton did not prove as fast as had been anticipated, and the local team had no trouble defeating them. The game between Red Deer and Lacombe on Tuesday evening was a good close game. The boys from the baby city brought along a big bunch of rooters, who did their best to encourage their team. The score was 3 to 2 in Lacombe's favor. The first league game of the season, on Thursday evening, between Caistor and Lacombe, was won by the locals, in a good close game. The reported score of 6 to 5 requires no further comment. The second league game, between Coronation and Lacombe, comes next Monday night, the 19th. We expect to see the local team win this game, though the Coronation team and their supporters are feeling cock sure of winning.

One of the most delightful social events of the season took place on Friday night, the 16th, when Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Campbell entertained about seventy of their married friends in their beautiful new home on Barnett avenue. Five hundred was played till midnight, when a dainty supper was served; followed by the distribution of the honors at cards. Mrs. Thibaudon won the lady's prize and M. E. McDonald the gentleman's prize. The booty prizes, amidst much hilarity, were presented to Mrs. Fraser and Wm. Reid. From this time on until the assembly dispersed dancing and instrumental and vocal music were enjoyed by all. The spacious rooms with splendid hardwood floors are ideally arranged for dancing. At four o'clock a number of the departing guests voiced the sentiments of all when he truly expressed the hope that Mr. and Mrs. Campbell would decide to hold the anniversary of this occasion not less than four times a year in future.

## Tom Marks Coming Here

Tom Marks and his popular company occupy the Comet Theatre 8 nights of next week, opening on Thursday night with the laughable pastoral comedy, "The Golden Rule." In this comedy, Mr. Marks assumes the role of Father Michael, Pastor of St. Michael's Church. The part is extraordinarily funny and is admirably adapted to Mr. Marks' mirth radiating personality. This genial person will appear in each well known success as, "The Hidden Secret," "The Irish Attorney," and "Flower-Pop." From this list of plays, this irresistible fun-maker will continue to tickle the ribbilities of his patrons with some of the latest and best comedies. Do not forget the date, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and Saturday matinee, January 22, 23, 24. Seats on sale at City Pharmacy.

## Shocking Case of Depravity

One of those unlikable cases which are beyond comprehension was up before the local justices on Monday last, and as a result a well known resident of the district has been sent up for trial at the assizes on the charge of ravishing a girl about thirteen years of age. The case was a shocking one, a tale of gross depravity. According to the story of the child, yet in short dresses and small even for her tender years, the accused had assaulted her on many occasions, extending over nearly two years. The man was a trusted friend of the parents of the girl, and had lived under the same roof with them since the victim was a baby, and was always treated as one of the family. The mother never suspected anything, and until a doctor informed her that the child was soon to become a mother, would not believe that such a crime had been committed in her home. The girl is bright and intelligent, and while not realizing in the full her position, told her story in a straightforward manner to the magistrate, who at the conclusion of the case, sent the accused up for trial.

## Thrilling Rescue at Sea

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 14.—Few of the great shipping disasters of Nova Scotia will remain as memorable as that which has its culmination at eight o'clock tonight, when the little steamer Westport, under command of Captain McKinnon, entered Yarmouth harbor with the first of the rescued passengers and crew, numbering 72, from the stranded Royal Mail Steam Packet liner Coquid, bound from Demerara, via Bermuda, to St. John and piled on the treacherous reefs of Trinity Ledges, twenty miles west of Yarmouth, at the entrance of the Bay of Fundy, early Sunday morning. Closely following the first rescue ship came the tug John L. Cann, with 24 of the ship's company. Standing by the ship during the night and for the purpose of taking off at daylight those who were remaining aboard was the Canadian steamer Lansdowne, and the Lady Laurier was expected to arrive at the scene of the wreck tomorrow morning. For nearly 48 hours, in the midst of a howling blizzard, enshrouded in vapor and snow squalls, 106 men and women were huddled in a stranded ship six miles from land, with the great tidal waves of the Bay of Fundy breaking over them, with the frost of midwinter enmeshing ship's decks and rails with an unrelenting sheathing of ice and with each corner as it smashed against the ship's sides bringing the horror of their situation home to them afresh between the squalls.

Out of the port holes of the steamer they could see the lights of the comfortable, happy homes on the coast, where brave men were more than willing to rescue the shipwrecked people, if only means could be devised to bring them to the land.

Seldom has the marine department of Canada been called upon to exert greater efforts for the saving of human life, and seldom have its agents been required to contend against greater odds. It almost seemed that the storm which swept the eastern coasts of Canada on Sunday night had concentrated its force with the single object of destroying a ship and its human company.

Two days and one night the rescuers worked in a blind search for the wrecked ship, for at a critical moment the wireless failed. The Coquid from 8:30 o'clock Monday morning until the storm abated enough to enable people on the shore to see her impaled on the rocks, gave no sign of life. It was when rescuers and watchers had practically given up the last slender hope that the good news was flashed from Yarmouth of the rescue of the entire ship's company. Despite the great odds against them, the boats sent to the aid of the stranded steamer pressed on in their search. Just before noon today the storm abated, the squalls ceased, and through the vapor of the Yarmouth coast could be seen the hull of a ship piled upon the ledges, about six miles off the shore.

in the vicinity of Port Maitland.

From the marine and fisheries office at Halifax, orders were sent for all rescuing boats to proceed to the actual scene of the wreck. C. G. S. Lansdowne, then in Westport, Brier Island, left at four o'clock. The tug John L. Cann had preceded her.

From Yarmouth the steamer Westport sailed. At 4:20 this afternoon Captain McKinnon of the Westport sighted the Coquid. She was lying on the southeast part of Trinity Ledges. At that time there was a high wind and a rough sea, but despite these conditions the plucky skipper determined that no efforts would be spared to make a rescue of at least some of the passengers and crew from their perilous position.

In three different boats, of which only four remained intact on the Coquid, seventy-two of the ship's company put out toward the rescuing steamer. They were safely embarked on the Westport, which remained by until the tug John L. Cann came up, and at six o'clock tonight were taken off.

The steamers were put under way at once for Yarmouth.

On the Coquid there still remained Captain Houston and 11 men for whom there was no life boat, and as it was after dark when the Cann made her rescue it was decided that the Lansdowne should stand by until daylight. It was then expected that the Lady Laurier would reach the scene and either one of the two boats will take off the captain and his men. The Lady Laurier will bring Captain Houston and his Company to Halifax. The Coquid is still intact, but is a hopeless wreck. Within less than ten minutes after the steamer struck the rocks, her engine room was full of water, and the fires were quenched. With the first shock the aerials came down, and that accounts for the interruption of the wireless service. Although an attempt was made to replace one of them, they became soiced up that it was found impossible to operate the service.

All that remains of the ship is but a broken hull, on one of the most dangerous ledges on the Bay of Fundy coast.

That her 108 souls whom she had aboard are safe tonight seems to be a miracle, when some idea is gained of the terrific seas and winds that have been running off the coast during the past 30 hours.

Captain J. Edgar McKinnon, of the Westport, came up to the wreck under her port side. He found her lying headed to the westward, with her bow down and her stern well out of the water, with the spray and seas going over her.

In a short time the crew had a boat in the water with 24 aboard. This boat was in charge of the second officer. The women were all taken off in this boat in accordance with British tradition. These were all gotten aboard without accident to any of them. The second boat came off with about 25 aboard, while the third boat to leave the ship brought the balance of the 72 which the Westport rescued. This was all accomplished inside of two hours.

## Parliament Opened Thursday

Ottawa, Jan. 15.—Parliament reopened this afternoon, after a recess lasting nearly seven months.

In the face of snow flurries with the weather somewhat moderated but still unusually cold, his royal highness and staff escorted by the Princess Louise dragoon guards, heads bowed against the wind, and lance pennants whipping in the breeze, swept up parliament hill and stopped before the main door.

The governor-general's foot guards, unfiled in their great coats, came to the salute as his royal highness stepped down from his motor. The band played two bars of the National Anthem, and from Nepean Point the guns roared out the royal salute.

His royal highness was attended by Lieut. Col. Farquhar and Captain Hon. C. E. Bosven, aide-de-camp in waiting. Her Royal Highness Princess Patricia was accompanied by Hon. Katherine Villiers, and Lord Spencer Compton. They entered the senate chamber at the back of the throne, and the princess took her place on a chair placed to the left of the dais.

The speech from the throne was rather an empty one, being replete with a conspicuous silence on all the important problems that parliament will be called upon to solve.

## How Good Seed Has Increased Yield

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—A good example of how agricultural production can be increased and farming made more profitable is the fact that the grain crop of Canada has been increased by more than 24,000,000 bushels yearly by the use of the best quality of seed. This is the statement of Prof. J. W. Roberts, in the annual report of the Canadian Seed Growers' association, of which he is president. He says: "At least 6,000,000 acres in Canada last year had crops that were appreciably different and better owing to the quality of the seed that was sown. I am away within the mark in saying that the increase was four bushels to the acre."

He stated that forty per cent of the grain crops in Prince Edward Island and 80 per cent of the crops in Manitoba, had been improved by the use of the best seed and other parts of the country had benefited in the same way. The report tells of an experiment made by 30 farmers who planted banner oats of both the registered and unregistered variety. The average yield was: Registered 51 bushels; unregistered 43 bushels.

## BIRTHS

Lowe—At Blackfalds on Friday, Jan. 2, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lowe, a daughter.  
Dreder—At Gull Lake on Thursday Jan. 8, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dreder, a son.  
Farnie—At Gull Lake on Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Farnie, a son.











# THE GOVERNMENT'S SINS OF COMMISSION AND OMISSION IN 1913

A retrospect of the year that has just ended must give very much more satisfaction to the Liberal forces than to the supporters of the Borden government. It would be hard to find any year in the history of Canada when the Government achieved less in a concrete way for the good of the Dominion, when it had done more to jeopardize the good name of Canada at home and abroad. It would be impossible to find any year in which a newly elected Government could show such scornful unwillingness to fulfil its pre-election pledge or engage in any constructive legislation to meet changed conditions.

There has been but one real event in the political world during the year that has shown statesman-like effort to cope with the growing necessities of the Canadian people. That was the formulation by Sir Wilfrid Laurier of the Liberal policy of free food, with a sincere effort to discover the reasons for the increasing cost of living that steps might be taken to ease the burdens of the people. In comparison with that evidence of constructive statesmanship the temporizing and opportunism of the present government shrink into insignificance. No more striking proof of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's real leadership could be imagined than the fact that the Government after time and again announcing that the cost of living demanded no investigation suddenly found popular pressure too strong, and appointed a commission—but appointed it in such a way as to insure a report to suit itself.

It has been a disastrous year for the Government. It opened with Mr. Borden's emergency in full bloom. It has closed with the emergency withered and dead, discredited alike in England, in Canada and throughout the Empire. It opened with the announced determination of Mr. Borden to force upon Canada a contribution of \$35,000,000 to tide the Empire over his imagined emergency. It has closed without the slightest thing having been done by Canada to increase its own defensive forces as part of the Empire's defenses. It opened with the Government least of prosperity. It has closed with hard times and lack of employment such as has not been seen in Canada since 1896, a shrinking Government revenue, and declining trade. There were two great increases, however, during the year. The Government jumped the national expenditures from \$130,000,000 in the last year of Liberal Government to \$250,000,000, and it has increased the national debt by millions during the last few months.

While proclaiming a large surplus, Hon. Mr. White faced a treasury emptied by ministerial extravagance, and had to go to England to borrow between thirty and forty million dollars until he became so inordinate in his demands on the London money market that the financiers there rebelled, Canadian credit became impaired, and the present Government is compelled to pay one per cent more for money than the last Liberal Government. The Government announced it would spend \$10,

000,000 on good roads. It failed to induce Parliament to accept this proposition because it was cunningly framed in the interests of the Government rather than the roads, and was an invasion of provincial rights. Since then the Government has had the mortification of seeing its Highways Aid proposition criticized in Provincial legislatures, and heartily condemned by such representative bodies as the Dominion Grange and the Western Grain Growers' Association.

The year has seen the Government force through parliament a gift of \$15,000,000 to Mackenzie and Mann, despite determined Liberal opposition, and the Government has seen that gift condemned by its own followers as well as by Liberals throughout the country. It has witnessed attacks upon the Civil Service with wholesale dismissals to make room for partisan friends. It has seen every problem which faced the Government referred to commissions, until Hon. Mr. Foster scornfully declared at a public meeting that commissions were as plentiful as berries in the wilderness and that their expensive reports were simply shelved and forgotten.

The year has witnessed the imposing upon parliament for the first time of the closure, by which the Government is able to gag the Opposition, and force upon the country any legislation it pleases unless the Senate has the courage to prevent it.

The year has been especially memorable for the shameful neglect by Premier Borden of every promise he made before his election. He posed as the champion of provincial rights, but has had the mortification of seeing one of his leading supporters, Mr. R. B. Bennett, M. P. for Calgary, declare that unless the Premier would implement his ancient promises and give the Western Provinces control of their natural resources he would resign his seat.

There have been several by-elections during the year. They ended disastrously for the Government. The infamous Macdonald by-election scandal closed with disgrace to the Government in the confession of corruption by the man who benefitted, and the voiding of his election, without the Government supporters daring to face a trial.

Despite every effort of the Conservatives, they have lost prestige in their great stronghold of Ontario. They lost South Bruce after a determined campaign, and only succeeded in retaining other seats such as East Middlesex, by greatly reduced majorities. Their one victory was in Chateauguay where they succeeded in gaining the riding by such corrupt methods that after the election was protested they employed their most expert lawyers to delay the election trial so that Mr. Morris could follow the example of Mr. Morrison in Macdonald and enjoy at least one session in Parliament before the courts voided his election.

The year has witnessed the complete exposure by Mr. Bourassa, of the secret alliance between the Tory Centralizers of Ontario and the Nationalists of Quebec by which the money of the Ontario high tariff interests was used to promote the Bourassa propaganda in Quebec, in order to defeat Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and in the end, do nothing for Imperial defence. On the other hand the year has

witnessed steady progress on every side by the Liberals. Throughout the parliamentary session they fought successfully for the rights of the people, for the rights of the Provinces, and for the rights of Canada as an autonomous nation within the Empire. It has witnessed an extraordinary revival of Liberalism throughout the country as shown by the triumphant receptions accorded Sir Wilfrid Laurier whenever he visited Ontario and the great meetings which have been held in the Western and Maritime Provinces, while the general meeting of the Ontario Reform Association was the most enthusiastic ever held.

The year 1913 has closed with the Liberal star in the ascendant and Sir Wilfrid Laurier in his natural position as leader of the Canadian people, opening the way to tariff reform and progressive legislation.

## Judicial Sale of Farm Property Near Morningside, Alberta.

Pursuant to judgment and final Order for Sale there will be sold by C. F. Dameron, Auctioneer, at the office of Frank Vickerson, at Lacombe, Alberta, on Saturday the 31st day of January, 1914, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, the South East quarter of Section 8, in Township 42, in Range 26, West of the Fourth Meridian, Alberta, subject to the reservations and conditions in the grant from the Crown or in the existing Certificate of Title.

The vendors are informed that this property consists of 160 acres of land of which 145 acres are good arable land, 10 acres of low land and 5 acres of scrub. The property is fenced on two sides with a woven wire fence and tamarack posts and on the South and West sides with a two strand wire fence and tamarack posts. The property is situated within three and a half miles of the Town of Morningside and within one mile of a school. There is a good well on the property. The soil is a black loam averaging approximately twenty inches in depth with clay subsoil. There are 30 acres of land under cultivation on the property this year.

There are the following buildings on the said property: A log house 22 x 22 with shingle roof, a log shed 10 x 14 with board roof and a frame barn 40 x 40 with shingle roof, all in good state of repair.

The property will be sold subject to a Reserve Bid. Terms of payment will be 10 per cent cash on the day of sale and the balance within 60 days thereafter without interest. Other terms and conditions are the standing conditions of the Supreme Court of Alberta as settled by the Master in Chambers. Further particulars may be had from Messrs. Griesbach, O'Connor & Company, Solicitors, Edmonton, Alberta.

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## Canadian Justice is Quick and Certain

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 12.—The quick and sure justice of Canada is exciting much favorable comment in that portion of Missouri from which John P. Benson and William Jasper Collins came to Alberta.

Collins killed Benson in Alberta for his money, and was captured in Braymer, Missouri. He was taken to Calgary a few weeks ago, tried for murder, convicted and sentenced to be hanged on February 17.

The expedition with which the whole affair was managed, in striking contrast with American methods and the long delays that usually attend such unhappy affairs, is made the occasion of a feature story in The Kansas City Star, which, after detailing the circumstances of the murder, the capture of Collins in his home town in Missouri, the various delays attendant upon his extradition for trial, and the taking of ten witnesses to Calgary to testify, says:

The day after arrival in Calgary a preliminary hearing was given Collins in the barracks of the mounted police. The government appointed an able lawyer to defend him, but how different from the American method; there were no motions for continuances, no changes of venue, nor any other dilatory tactics whatever. Within twenty-four hours after his arrival in Calgary Collins was given a hearing and held for trial.

Only one day intervened between the preliminary hearing and the beginning of the trial, which was held in the supreme court room in Calgary before Chief Justice Harvey, with James Short as prosecutor for the crown.

In any American court a day or two—at least—would have been consumed in getting a jury, and in many cases in murder trials in Missouri weeks and even months have been spent at this. It took just twenty minutes to select a jury to try Collins. In America a jury of twelve men try a man for murder. In Canada a jury of six does it.

There was no quibbling, no man was asked if he had "conscientious scruples against concurring in a verdict of guilty if that verdict might mean the infliction of the death penalty." All the long and complicated questions asked jurors in this country were omitted.

Twelve men were called from the venire and were sworn, the state struck off three names, the defence struck off three, the remaining six were sworn to try the case fairly and return a verdict according to the law and evidence. All done in twenty minutes, and the trial began at once. It lasted two days. There was not a quibble, nor a

trick nor a subterfuge in the whole of it. Only one objection was made by the defense throughout the trial, and that was to the introduction of the confession made by Collins. His lawyer rose to object to it and was stopped by the judge, who raised his hand in warning and said:

"It is no use wasting time in arguing that point. The court decides that the confession was given voluntarily by the defendant without the use of threats or promise or hope of reward or clemency. It will be introduced in evidence."

The different witnesses told their stories. Collins declined to testify in his own defence, there was no witness nor evidence for the defence. The arguments were made, very brief. The jury retired and within ten minutes returned with a verdict of guilty and the judge, without leaving the bench, sentenced Collins to be hanged February 17.

And he will be hanged that day. His lawyer will appeal and it will be passed on at once. No delay of two or three years, as in this country, and no hope of reversal.

Feb. 17 Collins will be hanged in an inclosure in the barracks of the mounted police, and his body will be buried there in an unmarked grave, for it is a rule there that the body of a person hanged for murder cannot be claimed by relatives nor others.

The party of Missourians who assisted the Canadian authorities in the enforcement of Canadian law was given a banquet before they returned, and Sheriff Feltis of Caldwell county was told that if he would come back to Calgary to see Collins hanged all his expenses would be paid by Canada.

### IS IT TO BE A "GAGGED" SESSION?

That sober Conservative organ the Montreal Gazette recently remarked that as Parliament is not to assemble till January 15th, the Government will be rather at the mercy of the Opposition in the matter of getting money to carry on the national services. Apparently the Montreal Gazette forgets that Premier Borden has prepared for exactly such a position of affairs by the adoption of the closure last session. The Gazette is probably Conservative enough not to approve of the wholesale use of the gag, especially with regard to national finances. Every Tory organ, however, during the past few days has gleefully announced that Mr. Borden intends to use the gag throughout the coming session and plans to put through his \$250,000,000 of estimates and such other parliamentary business as he may have within four or four and one-half months by choking off the Opposition every time they want to know too much.

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**Might Well Have Paused**

Why don't you get an automobile? Because I don't know whether or not I could manage one. You didn't let that consideration stop you when you wanted a wife.

**An Irish Priest**

laid labor hard with one of his flock to induce him to give up the habit of drinking, but the man was reluctant. "I tell you, Michael, said the priest, whiskey is your worst enemy, and you should keep as far away from it as you can."

**My Intimacy**

is, father, responded Michael. "And it was your riverine self was telling us in the pulpit only last Sunday to live 'or tinish'."

**So I was, Michael**

rejoined the priest, but was I anywhere telling you to swallow 'em."

**Now take this picture**

to the exhibition gallery but be careful, for the paint isn't dry yet. Oh, that's all right; I'll put on my old coat."

**Wilfrid**

was sitting on his father's knee watching his mother arrange her hair. Papa hasn't waves like that, said the father, laughing.

**Wilfrid, looking up**

at his father's bald pate, replied. No, no, no, it's all beach.

**First Grad**

—My wife's gone to the West Indies. Second G.—Jamaica? First G.—No, she wanted to go.

**Panama earthquakes**

are more or less anemic than naughty.

**How Sunday Reached the Frontier**

High principle and humor have ever made an irresistible combination. Mark Twain's story of the discovery of Sunday is a classic. It is a story of a man who, in the name of high principle, refused to work on Sunday, and the consequences that followed.

**Yes, it has declared the preacher**

pleasantly. I brought it with me. That simple and ready reply proved more effective than any amount of argument, and although he was the first to observe the day in town, he soon had many followers in Sunday closing.

**Lightship Risks**

It would seem that the peril of a lightship crew is a little exaggerated. The lightship crew is a small, isolated group of men who live on a small, isolated island. They are in constant danger of being cut off from the rest of the world.

**Once a wave tumbled aboard**

crashed a man against the pump, knocked him half senseless, and the lightship crew was in a state of panic. The man was a stranger, and the crew did not know who he was. They were in a state of confusion, and they did not know what to do.

**Not Inspiration**

The bishop was attending services at a small country church, and the young vicar, being very anxious to show the bishop how well he could preach, let himself out, so to speak. His gestures were frequent, and his voice often rose to a high pitch.

**Apt Replies**

A quarrelsome couple, having exhausted many subjects, came to discussing tomatoes, and the husband asked: "My dear, what kind of stone do you suppose they will give me when I die?"

**Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria**

It choked Dickens. A diphtheria epidemic was raging in London, and many people were dying. Minard's Liniment was used to treat the patients, and it was found to be very effective.

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**This Joke on Father**

She had refused him, and he was all in. Reconsider, Annie, he begged. If you don't let him have me, I'll be all in. Huh! said Annie. That would be a joke on father, for he thinks you have not any.

**Numerous Investigations**

The house of pigs has taken steps. To show this and that, and Commission's great investigation. Their perquisites are fat.

**They dig and pry, make money fly**

Like sailors on a scow. Since they so free why shouldn't we investigate the house?

**A Cleveland man**

gave his wife a knife and told her to kill him. And she fooled him by trying to make good.

**The Best Read Page**

The woman's page has many pearls of wisdom now and then. Quote interesting talks with girls. Are much enjoyed by men.

**Two Brokers**

When you're short on cash, what do you do? One broker cried. I grin and bear it, he replied.

**A returned missionary**

says they had woman suffrage in Central Africa for 600 years. Yes, and just look at 'em.

**Aluminum Wield**

The soundness of aluminum would be tested in water. If bubbles accumulate on the surface within forty-eight hours the metal is defective.

**Should a woman**

whistle? asks an exchange. That is a dangerous question. If you tell the truth she's liable to do it.

**If, according to Dr. Wiley**

preceded man in creation, she would be the balot, what she had a chance?

**CHEAPER FENCE-POSTS**

Preservatives Prolong Life of Forest Wood. As a result of the many inquiries in regard to the preservative treatment of fence-posts, the Forestry Branch, Ontario, has decided to publish a leaflet on this subject which can be had by applying to the Director of Forestry.

**The great advantage of these treatments**

is that they keep green and decay-free from decay for from ten to fifteen years. Many kinds of wood found in farmers' wood lots will last when used as posts only four years or thereabouts, after treatment, as described, they last twice, or three times, even four times as long.

**Creosote, which costs in Canada**

from ten to twenty cents a barrel, is the best preservative. When boiled in creosote is applied liberally with a brush, for instance, the butts of well-seasoned posts from which the bark has been removed, it enters into the wood for a distance of about a quarter of an inch. This should be repeated every year.

**Another method of treating the posts**

is to use a non-durable wood, such as poplar, balsam, or spruce. These are the best and most economical, and on a small scale, probably the cheapest. Other methods of treating the posts are to use a preservative in the form of a liquid, or to use a preservative in the form of a solid.

**Besides lengthening the life of the post**

the preservative treatment also tends to reduce the cost of the posts. It is a simple and easy method, and it can be used on all kinds of wood. It is a method that is well worth trying.

**OVERWORKING AND UNDER-RESTING**

A famous physician, speaking to a women's club assembly, said: "A steam engine that is calculated to do a certain amount of work in a day will soon break down if overworked."

**The human body may be likened**

to such a machine; it is composed of the most delicate constructed organs, intended to perform only a certain number of hours without rest. If these parts are overworked, Nature has no time to renew the worn parts."

**Sometimes a change of work**

will rest you, but when that fails, and you do not feel rested after a night's sleep you may be sure that your system is worn out, and that a means of restoration are necessary. You must rest and nurse back health and vigor.

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**Our Elastic English Language**

Yea, Kibbani, meet a Missus, it ways how your brain bends going and your face smiles. We'll discuss it first of your consciousness, and then we'll see what you have decided about the men for instance? Does she all or does she not? We don't bother about a thing like that, retorted the Kibbani. What concerns us is, when she smiles, has she told us her who she is, and what she has decided about the men for instance?

**Andrew Carnegie gives this advice:**

Do not hoard your millions. We do not. We have never had a thought of doing anything like that.

**Noah Tip Vaccination**

The young Japanese diplomat pointed to his father, the marquis, and said: "My father, he said, the old fellow, he was a great man. All Japan of the older generation have that scar."

**Yes, it's a vaccination mark.**

In the old days, when compulsory vaccination was first introduced, it was a good plan. But now, because it was a good plan, it has become a bad plan. It is a plan that is no longer needed.

**The Wrong Lesson**

Father (grasping his son's ear)—You young scoundrel, I'll teach you how to treat your mother. Son—Ouch! he said on the spot. You know you don't want me to treat mother that way.

**Good Opening, There**

I can't get a job anywhere. Why not, my dear? There's a big, young downy chin. You know you don't want me to treat mother that way.

**Favorite sport just now seems to be building up defenders.**

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**A group of grieving depositors stood**

on the sidewalks before the closed doors of a recently defunct bank. It was a sorry scene. One man who had lost his all was trying to brace up a colored grandpa whose white wool trousers and down hair the folds of a bandana.

**Don't cry, uncle, he said.**

Banks burst in every day, you know. Yes, sir, I know it, but—huh! huh!—a—dis bank huh! huh! does just right in me—ac.

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**No woman is supposed to look her age**

no matter what it is.

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